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DEMAND FOR PRAIRIE TAPERS OFF AS INCREASING AMOUNTS OF GREEN FEEDS BECOME AVAILABLE.

Kansas City Market

Increased offerings of prairie hay on the Kansas City market during the week ending April 29, failed to stimulate buying interests to any great extent, although a somewhat wider selection was possible, according to the Agricultural Marketing Service. Shippers afforded the chief outlet, accounting for three out of four sales completed for the period. One car was unloaded locally and a few lots were carried over as the week ended. Trade interests reported the best cleanup of prairie hay in producing areas in this territory since the drought of 1934-35. Remaining stocks in the country are said to be mostly No. 3 and Sample grade, with very little No. 1 or No. 2 available. Local feeding interests continued to take care of their current needs from storage stocks and were also receiving a few direct shipments from the country. Demand for prairie hay in consuming areas tributary to this market was being filled direct from producing areas by truckers, and by scattered carlot shipments. Sales on the open market during the week were 1 car No. 1, \$8.50; 1 car No. 2, \$8.00; and 1 car No. 3, \$7.50 per ton.

Interior Producing Point Markets

Between-season dullness was apparent in the prairie hay territory of southeastern Kansas. Remaining stocks were light and demand was quiet. Reports indicated
that truckers were experiencing difficulty in filling orders for No. 2 Prairie. Copious rains received during the week were of great benefit to blue-stem meadows and
pastures, as well as alfalfa fields, which were showing a strong growth.

Current quotations at Kansas City, basis U. S. Stændards, are as follows:

UPLAND PRAIRIE

(Per ton)

No. 1 \$8.00-8.50

No. 3 \$5.50-7.00

No. 2 7.50-8.00

Sample 4.00-5.50

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